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Quincy Ex-CIA Agent Defects to Russia Quincy CIA Agent Tagged Red Defector

(By JACK CADIGAN)—A "cloak and dagger" mystery involving the Soviet Union, the U. S. State Department and a Quincy man who was a former agent of the Central Intelligence Agency, developed into international intrigue, last night. The Soviet newspaper "Literary Gazette," published yesterday what it said was an article by an alleged

former CIA agent named John Smith from Quincy, who purportedly spied for the Americans in the armed forces and Defense Ministry of India.

The news agency Tass, even before the Gazette appeared, summarized the article, the gist of which was that Smith and his wife carried out operations in India some time after 1950. It did not say what became of Mrs. Smith.

Tass said Smith revealed names of CIA operatives in India and told of "bugging" the code room in the embassy of an under-developed nation friendly to the Soviet Union.

"Smith writes that the CIA had its agents among high-placed officers of the staff of

the Indian army and in the Indian Defense Ministry," Tass reported.

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Tass also reported: "John Smith declared that his wife, Mary London Smith, told him about many secret agents of the CIA among high-ranking Indian military officers." The agency said Smith decided to defect to the Soviet Union because "Washington is preparing

a new world catastrophe." He said he agreed to work for the CIA because he believed it "existed to take care of American citizens."

The agency also said he is now a Soviet citizen living and working in Moscow.

Washington sources said it generally takes considerable time for a westerner to be granted Soviet citizenship and speculated that Smith's story was published now to counter American claims that a Soviet spymaster named Lt. Col. Yevgeny Runge had defected to the United States. The Soviets have denied that Runge was one of their secret agents.

The background and education of Smith published by the Moscow news media is almost

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